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Missing Person/ Water Search Operation 18- 14502 / 18-14460

Murfreesboro Police responded to 5430 Lebanon Pike (Walter Hill Park) at approximately 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 1, 2018 regarding a possible missing person. Family members reported last having contact with Mr. Walter Corley around 3:00 p.m. Officers searched the scene and could not locate Mr. Corley or any of his belongings.

Items belonging to Mr. Corley were located by the family this morning.

During a subsequent search, his body was located and recovered in the river near the Walter Hill Dam. Multiple agencies participated in the search efforts and are listed below: Murfreesboro Fire Rescue Department, Rutherford County Fire Department, Rutherford County Emergency Medical Services' Special Operations Response Team, Lascassas Fire Department, Rutherford County Sheriff's Office, and Rutherford County Emergency Management Agency.

At this time, the cause of death is believed to be drowning, however the investigation is ongoing.

Mr. Corley was 59 years of age (DOB 8/18/1959) and is from Murfreesboro.

